(c) whether Indian garment exporters have been asked to call back the consignments and re-export them with fresh quota entitlements for 2003?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) and (b) According to information furnished by Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC), about 21.2 lakh pieces worth Rs. 43.0 crores (approximately) of shirts and pullovers are stuck up at European Ports due to excess shipment over the 2002 quota limits prescribed under the India-EU bilateral Textile Agreement.

The Government promptly approached the European Union for invocation of exceptional flexibilities for clearance of the stuck up consignments. The proposal has since been accepted by the European Union.

(c) Does not arise.

Development of Textiles Centre

2313. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of infrastructure proposed to be developed by the Centre in Textile Centres;

(b) the amount to be sanctioned per Textile Centre for this purpose; and

(c) the other related development and technology proposed to be assisted in textile Centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) to (c) The Government has launched a new scheme "Textile Centre Infrastructure Development Scheme (TCIDS)" for rejuvenating and plugging critical infrastructure gaps in predominantly textile/apparel sector areas to help the units located therein to become globally competitive.

Balancing investment may, *inter alia*, relate to:—

(i) construction of roads

(ii) provision of testing facitilities
(iii) common effluent treatment plant facilities
(iv) exhibition/marketing hall
(v) strengthening of power supply
(vi) improving water supply and drainage facilities
(vii) improvement in telecommunication network and IT facilities
(viii) establishment of design centres
(ix) improving warehousing facilities
(x) improving facilities for movement of goods to sea ports and airports, inland container depots, air cargo complexes etc.
(xi) augmentation of transport facilities especially for decongestion
(xii) facilities to improve human resource
(xiii) construction of creche buildings for apparel units

The central assistance under the scheme is available for the critical components of the project subject to a maximum of Rs. 20 crores for each area. The cental assistance would be available to the extent of 100% of the critical components of the project in respect of Common Effluent Plant, improving water supply and drainage facilities and construction of creche building for apparel units, whereas the other components would be funded on 75:25 basis between centre and states/ reputed agencies concerned.

Upliftment of ailing NTC Textile Mills

2314. SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to give a package of Rs. 340 crore to uplift ailing NTC textiles mills;

(b) how many textile mills to Karnataka will be included under this package; and

(c) whether any package will be announced to uplift private textile mills; and if so, the details thereof?